

# **Practice Makes Perfect Music Studio LLC**

## **Student Handbook**

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This contract is an agreement that the student(s) who participate in the Practice Makes Perfect Music Studio will adhere and follow the studio policies. Each Practice Makes Perfect instructors will sign an instructor contract following same laws under the state of Pa. All instructors will be required to obtain each of their Child Abuse, FBI, and Fingerprint clearances and will follow those Pa guidelines.

Welcome!

Welcome to Practice Makes Perfect Music Studio LLC! The studio is set for in person lessons for people around the Westmoerland/Fayette County area. We offer in person lessons at the instructor's home, instructors will travel to student's homes, and we offer virtual lessons through Zoom. Depending on where you are and where our instructors are, we can do virtual anywhere and in person in the surrounding areas. We are excited to grow as a studio and to grow with the surrounding communities. Our goal is to create a safe and welcoming space for all students and instructors. We are black owned, LGBTQIA+ owned, and woman owned as well. We are all very excited for each new students that longs for need to create music and to build relationship with their music, the instructors, and with their community. We can't wait to build and create music with you!

Thank you,  
Co-owners: Aaron and Julia Gray and the rest of the PMP instructors.

Mission Statement:

"Practice Makes Perfect, LLC is committed to making the community and our studio a safe, diverse and welcoming place. Music and Art have always been a comforting haven for many and we want expand on this idea and utilize the arts to break down financial and societal barriers to learning. Together we're breaking down barriers, creating amazing musicians, and spreading a message of acceptance, self-worth and love."

PMP students and parents are obligated to:

- Promptly arrive to lessons on time if no absence notice is given
- Have a commitment to practice and to themselves in the learning process
- Pay and keep up with the invoice on time

- Use MyMusicStaff to keep up with the schedule and to submit payments (or other ways you and your instructor agree upon)
- Keep effective communication between them and the instructors
- Stay in the same building with students being taught who are under the age of 18
- Enjoy creating and learning music!

#### Equipment:

We do require for parents/students to pay for their own books (usually \$7-\$20) about every 3 months or depending on how fast they get through the book. (the cost of voice lesson does include sheet music) The parents/adult students will also need to obtain their own instruments either through purchase or rent. If you have financial conflicts with achieving any of these resources, you can contact your assigned instructor or the co-owners, Aaron Gray or Sam Specht-Burns. If you are traveling to the instructor's home, they will provide seating, music stands, and equipment if your lessons need it.

#### Prices and Payments:

A student can sign up for weekly or bi weekly lessons. For a half hour lesson, Practice Makes Perfect charges \$25 dollars and for an hour lesson, it is \$45. Practice Makes Perfect uses MyMusicStaff for invoicing and payment methods. Parents and adult students can also use credit card, paypal, cash, check, or venom. This will be an agreement between the student/parent and the instructor. You may pay weekly, bi-weekly, or monthly. Students cannot continue lessons if there is a left over balance in their invoice from the prior month. Parents and adult students agree that their invoice will be paid fully by the end of each month. If there are financial conflicts, then the payment maker can contact their assigned instructor.

#### Cancellation Policy:

The studio has a 24 hour cancellation policy. Students/parents must give 24 hours notice or pay the full lesson price. However, we understand that things happen and sometimes same day cancellations are unavoidable. Illnesses, car trouble, emergencies, and other unexpected occurrences are all excused absences and you will not have to pay for that lesson, please write the excuse into the absence field on Mymusicstaff when cancelling and we will notify you if it is excused.

#### Programs and Discounts:

Practice Makes Perfect does offer a referral program. If you refer a student to the studio and that signs up for lessons your next lesson will be free. Referrals can be as easy as tagging one of our teachers or our page in a post on Facebook. We currently offer violin, viola, cello, clarinet, guitar, piano, voice, trumpet, trombone,

euphonium and organ lessons, with the possibility for more instruments in the future. There are also frequent contests on our social media pages for free lessons, discounts, gift cards and merchandise. PMP also offers sibling discount. Students are registered under their own 30 minute or 60 minute block. If the student has a sibling(s) then the sibling will receive 10% off. The first student will be full price but each sibling after; will get that 10% off of their lesson. We do have website and Facebook review programs as well. If you leave a review on either, it will be \$5 off of your next lesson. We consistently promote contests and other ways to receive a discount. These will be posted on our website and Facebook/Instagram.

#### Anti-Discrimination Policy:

Anti-discrimination laws based on race, skin color, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, religious beliefs, and any exceptional needs also protect the instructors and instrumentalists in the studio from both students and parents. In return, all PMP instructors will follow and adhere to the same policy. Instructors will not participate in discrimination of any kind. This also includes ignorance or lack of using correct pronouns by the student or instructor. This is a zero tolerance policy and any acts of discrimination from either side will result in termination from the studio effective immediately.

#### Photo Release Forms:

There are photo release forms that can be found under online resources in MyMusicStaff. An instructor can also give these as well during the lesson. These are not required but left up to the discretion of the parent/adult student. All photos and videos if used, will be posted on PMP's website, Facebook, and/or Instagram if chosen to do so.

#### Where to Find Us:

Website: <http://www.pmpmusicstudio.com/>

Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/pmpmusicstudio>

Instagram: <http://www.instagram.com/pmpmusicstudio/>

Below, both Practice Makes Perfect Music Studio and the student/parent will sign the agreement of this contract. By signing, then both sides are agreeing to the terms and policies above. If one cannot sign or chooses not to sign, then Practice Makes Perfect cannot provide its services.

You agree to these services on our registration form by Checking “yes” and agree to abide by all the terms set forth in this agreement.